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Dear Attorney Hesse,

Under the provisions of the Tunney Act, I offer my comment in support of the settlement agreement reached in the case *United States v. Microsoft*.

As an attorney and small businessperson involved in economic development projects, I believe this to be a fair and reasonable settlement of the complaints brought forward in federal court. To the extent that Microsoft violated law, this seems to be an equitable settlement for consumer and competitor alike. And in the interests of the business community as a whole, a decisive resolution is a very welcome prospect.

Microsoft and the information technology sector as a whole have contributed a great deal to daily life, and to the growth of the national economy. A resolution of this case as detailed in the settlement agreement will allow that beneficial growth and development to continue.

I appreciate your time in considering my opinion in this matter.

Sincerely,

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